(c) why the taluk board has not taken steps to redress the grievance of the ryots of this village in spite of having prepared estimates three years ago?

A.—(*a*) (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have no information.

Construction of a bridge over the Gadilam river between Panruti and Kadambaliyur.

* 1500 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received representations that great hardship is felt by the ryots on account of the absence of a bridge over the Gadilam river between Panruti and Kadambaliyur on the Madras-Kumbakonam road, especially during the rainy season;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that there is a toll-gate on the southern side of the river yielding over Rs. 10,000 per annum although there is no proper means of communication during the rainy season;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the width of the river at this spot is about only 250 feet and that the construction of a bridge will connect about 20 to 30 villages with Panruti, an important trading centre; and

(*d*) whether there is any proposal before the Government for the construction of a bridge over the Gadilam between Panruti and Kadambaliyur; and, if not, what steps the Government propose to take to remove the hardship caused to the villagers?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) & (*c*) The Government have no information.

(*d*) There is no such proposal before Government; nor do they propose to take any action. The District Board should be moved in the matter.

Medical

Provision of modern facilities for dental treatment in the Medical College.

* 1501 *Q.*—Mr. C. S. GOVINDARAJA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) what procedure is being adopted by the Government for bringing to the notice of the Members of Government important newspaper articles or editorial comments on current topics relating to the several branches of administration; and

(*b*) whether the Dental Surgeon attached to the Medical College has applied to the Government for securing facilities similar to those provided in the Royal Dental Hospital in Leicester Square?

A.—(*a*) By means of cuttings submitted for the perusal of the Member or Minister by the Secretariat concerned.

(*b*) The Government have not received any such application.